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# Ichinose Short Story: The circumstances of Ichinose Honami's exam

Midsummer in the uninhabited island. Class B students were each playing properly their roles.

It was the second day of that special exam. I stood up feeling satisfied with the hammock I personally made.

“Hey! Yeah Now it’s completed!”

I nodded looking towards the tied ropes. Chihiro-chan, who was at the side supervising the progress of the works, looked also very happy.

“As expected from Honami-chan! Thank you!”

“I can help at any time with these kind of jobs, so call me whenever you are troubled.”

After saying this, Chihiro-chan showed a carefree smile and linked with my arms. Like this, she looked as cute as a little sister.

In the past, when Chihiro-chan confessed to me, I was afraid our relationship would be affected. But those worries disappeared in the following day, she treated me like usual.

So I took advantage of that moment, opened my heart and talked to her like I used to.

“Ichinose-san is good at everything. Do you have things that you consider you are bad? Like sports and so on.”

Ah –ha—even if I know there’s no malice, don’t just add that last sentence nonchalantly!

“Don’t you think being bad at sports and so on is already surprisingly fatal? Besides, bad... more like bad, that’s just not being good at it.

Rather than saying it aloud, it was a small excuse in my heart.

I'm confident my running speed is fairly fast. In contrast, my ability to maintain the equilibrium – known as part of the motor neurons, has its own bad side.

There has happened a lot of times where I threw or kicked a ball, this went very deviated, so I'm mocked in the classroom for this. Uuuuh, I'm so sad.

"It's not like that at all. For me, that side of hers really adds UP her cute points."

For me it was a very embarrassing thing, but Chihiro-chan was very happy.

"Wah, stop it idiot, that's too cold!"

"Wahahaha! Oraora!"

Accompanied by the sound of splashing water in all directions, I could hear the guys shouting while playing with the water.

"Everybody is having a great time."

Watching the scene of their innocent looks, it inevitably causes people to smile. Should I also join them?

"Embarrassing. The boys are just a bunch of brats."

"A-are they?"

Is it because Chihiro-chan has an insensitive side, or because she has a strong conflict with the boys?

"But everybody has done a great job. Even though nobody has previously experienced surviving in an uninhabited island, but they have affronted the exam smoothly and without panicking.

After they revealed the exam, normally people would plunge into chaos, but everybody in the classroom pulled themselves together and calmed down, that was beyond my expectations.

Thanks to everybody, I could also bring out my usual strength and could contribute to the class. Just passing through the exam like this. Firmly holding the points and at the same time, not forgetting about cheerfully enjoying.

"Hey Honami-chan, after this let's go to the seaside. Since it's a rare chance, I

really want to go swimming.”

“Then let’s invite everybody and go together.”

“...Honami-chan, if you want it like that, then it’s also okay.”

Eh, why are you looking into my eyes? And your cheeks feels like they have a feverish tone!

“But I think that... a romantic couple’s world is better”

Don’t tell me that Chihiro-chan still likes me. Rather, this reply just means she still likes me!? W-w-w-what should I do!?

“Really, I was kidding. You don’t need to panic.”

Perhaps she saw through my panicking heart, Chihiro-chan said while laughing.

“You’re so bad. I was feeling anxious because I had taken your words seriously.”

“Because there are still two and a half years left. You don’t need to feel anxious. But I’ll definitely change Honami-chan’s heart before graduation.

“En en, just like that just like –”

After nodding in admiration, I once again reflected calmly what she has said just a moment ago, and then my whole body froze.

“Eh?”

# Kushida Short Story: The important time

“Kikyo-chan? Hey, are you okay?

Feeling the sensation of fingers touching my shoulders, I was a bit startled as I turned my head.

There was a slightly worried Shinohara-san.

“Ah!? Sorry, were you calling me?”

My sense of hearing, which was covered by silence, suddenly started picking up sounds. The noisy sounds of the surroundings hit me like a tsunami.

I accidentally dropped the doll that was in my hands on the floor and it bounced a bit.

“What’s the matter?”

“Karuizawa-san has proposed to go to the deck, it looks like there’s a great scenery.”

“I understand. I’ll go there once I’ve bought this.”

I believed it was fate, so I bought the dolphin doll the size of the palm of my hand.

After obtaining the dolphin doll, I rendezvoused with the girls in front of the entrance of the shop and went together towards the deck.

The crew members standing in front of the entrance welcomed us with a wide smile in their faces, and helped us open the door.

In order to look at the scenery, most of the students have already gathered at the bow.

“The scenery is awesome! It’s incredible!”

Even Karuizawa, who usually never shows any interest in anything other than dressing herself up, couldn’t help but sigh. It seems that the scenery is really unique.

She surveyed the ocean with her eyes lit up. The rest of the girls were doing

the same.

But I looked at the scenery as if it had nothing to do with me, involuntarily.

It was absolutely not because I had a bad idea about it. Just because I considered that this moment was very important so I didn't want to ruin it.

"It's really an impressive view..."

I switched my mood and answered like this.

"It seems that the boys are in the bow. Let's join them."

Everybody accepted Karuizawa-san's suggestion. Apparently, trying to start occupying places right now would be a bit difficult.

"... Act naturally, naturally."

I whispered in a voice nobody could hear it and proceeded with them towards the deck. After that we tressed into the vacant place the guys from Class D occupied. It seems that Ike-kun and Sudo-kun's group has occupied this place.

The boys who saw us let us into the vacant place without a trace of dislike in their faces.

Then, I saw Ayanokouji-kun for the first time, gazing boringly into the sea. I felt a bit of impatience. The reason was because he saw my hidden part.

In a normal situation, I'd be paying close attention to him and monitor every single move. But his presence is always very low. Normally, He never speaks apart from the bare minimum, so it's difficult to follow him closely.

Only that, every time I see him, I start to remember other things.

"Eh? Where's Horikita-san? Aren't you two together?"

Horikita-san is one of Ayanokouji-kun's few friends. For me that is the most important thing.

"I don't know, I'm not her protective charm... Also, she isn't a person who would fully enjoy a trip, she's probably in her room, I believe?"

There's nobody in the class who loves being alone more than Horikita-san. She probably won't try to enjoy the trip but stay in her room instead.

It also makes things easier, so let's first enjoy the summer vacation.

"I guess so."

After giving him such a short answer, I stood beside Ayanokouji-kun and felt the sea at close range.

When the ship's broadcast ended, an isle appeared in my field of vision. That's the beach we are about to go, the main attraction of this summer vacation.

Karuizawa-san and the others are probably looking forward to it and they are talking about going for a swim.

This school is different to the normal schools. Even though there are quite a lot of thrilling elements, normal days also exist. The expected everyday also exists. I want to protect them at all costs. I have no choice but to protect them.

For this reason, I... even possessed such a determination.

We were gradually approaching the isle.

My --progressively stronger determination was also gradually approaching.

# Sakura Short Story: Things that sprout

After the special exam began, the school life I had in mind had changed drastically.

Is it because of living in the uninhabited island? Or is it because I haven't experienced a cruel life until now?

No, it's nothing like that. Those are trivial things.

I was staring at the guy who was walking ahead of me in the dense forest.

Why? I don't know the answer.

When I realized it, my eyes were already on his body. This has never happened until now.

If I extend my arm I can touch him, that is the distance between us. I tried to extend my arm slightly.

But that's something I'm unable to touch. The distance is so close and yet it's out of reach.

Suddenly, the boy... Ayanokouji-kun, stopped and turned his body.

My pulse accelerated as I retrieved my hand hurriedly. I-I haven't been seen just now, right?

"Let's rest for a bit, since it'll still take quite some time to reach the destination."

He said this gently, as if he had realized I was starting to feel exhausted, and looked for a place we could rest.

Although I was ashamed of my lack of physical strength, him being able to be considerate of me, I felt happy.

Ayanokouji-kun, who was standing there, went to the huge tree he had just seen, tidied it up by removing the dirt and the tree leaves with his hand to the extent one could sit on it, and sat down.

Although he also tidied up a place for me, I couldn't refrain from making a sound.

I wanted to sit beside Ayanokouji-kun, but, I was so embarrassed...

Sitting there was the equivalent to staying inseparably close to him.

Perhaps Ayanokouji-kun planned to sit there comfortably alone. If I insisted on sitting there, wouldn't he be displeased?

After thinking a bit, I was really unable to sit beside him.

I planned to find a suitable place to sit down, but the ground of the surroundings was not leveled, so if I sat down it looked like it would hurt a lot. Uuuu, endure, endure.

In order not to be disliked, I sat down far away from him. My butt hurt so much.

I tried hard to pretend that everything was all right, Ayanokouji-kun kept staring here, he probably had been seen through me.

“You can sit here.”

“May I?”

“Of course, you can't rest properly by sitting there.”

“Um, um...”

Although it was indeed like that... our s-shoulders would be almost touching.

There was no reason not to feel happy after being called, so I suppressed my happy and nervous mood while I sat beside Ayanokouji-kun.

Ayanokouji-kun's scent drifted into my nose by the wind.

Sakura Airi, this might be most intense moment in your whole life...!

“Nature is amazing... just by walking a bit we have spent a lot of time.”

I said that in order to alleviate my nervousness.

I needed to think about other topics, since I felt that my face had become like an octopus because of how red it was.

“Recalling Koenji's dissatisfied expression, it could be considered that the

school has been managing this place properly. If this was a rainforest from overseas, then it would've been even more dangerous.”

Ayanokouji-kun stared at the front with a slightly thoughtful expression.

I stared unconsciously at Ayanokouji’s face and told him my thoughts.

“At first, I was gloomy when we set off on a trip, since someone like me with no friends wouldn’t be able to have fun. I only thought it would be okay by just staying in my room, because it would be like an ordinary day like that. But it turned out like this, being told that this was an exam...”

I was also surprised, this was a huge development. I had never thought I could talk to someone like that.

Why was that? Why could I talk to Ayanokouji-kun like that?

“But now... I believe “it was good that I came here”. After all, there weren’t many chances for me to talk to Ayanokouji-kun like this...”

I was able to say the words I would never be able say in a normal situation.

“If only this could keep on forever, it would be great –”

Ah, these were my heartfelt words, my feelings at that moment with no falsities.

“I agree.”

Although Ayanokouji-kun didn’t turn around, he still answered me gently.

Just this short line made my heart feel warm. Ah, so comfortable.

I strongly wished to be able to save the scene and my feelings of this moment.

“Uuuu...what a shame.”

“What’s up?”

The way I said it would make people be worried. Ayanokouji-kun turned his body to look at me, worried.

“I was thinking that if I had a digital camera right now, I could take the best photo...”

If it was like that, we could’ve taken a photo together.

“But it wouldn’t be that good if I was also photographed in there.”

“It’s only because Ayanokouji-kun is also in that I believe I could take the best photo...Ah! No! I meant, it’s because I don’t have any friends to take photos with!”

More than not being improper, it was because I wanted to take a photo with him that I couldn’t help but raise my voice.

I got embarrassed and I turned my head away.

Right now I was unable to look at Ayanokouji-kun’s face.

Even though this was not something someone like me could ask...

But --oh God, please give me more... of these warm and gentle moments.

I couldn’t help but wish that.